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SUBJECT: FRETILIN DELEGATION VISITS KAUNDA

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1. FOLLOWING VISIT TO TANZANIA REPORTED REFTEL, THREE-MAN FRETILIN MISSION LED BY "JARI" ALCATIRI VISITED LUSAKA OCT. 29. UPON ARRIVAL ALCATIRI SAID FRETILIN RECOGNIZES ZAMBIA'S STAND ON LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, HENCE DESIRE OF FRETILIN TO ESTABLISH DIRECT CONTACT WITH GRZ. ADDED THAT FRETILIN REGARDS ITSELF AS PART OF "HOLY ALLIANCE" AMONG RULING PARTIES OF ZAMBIA, MOZAMBIQUE, AND TANZANIA. AT SECOND NEWS CONFERENCE ON OCT 31, PORTION OF WHICH LATER TELEVISED BY ZAMBIA BROADCASTING SERVICES, ALCATIRI ACCUSED PORTUGUESE GOVT OF SUPPORTING MODERATE DEMOCRATIC UNION OF TIMOR AND, BY EXTENSION, ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY BY INDONESIA.

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2. FRETILIN DELEGATION MET OCT 31 WITH PRESIDENT KAUNDA.

ALCATIRI LATER DESCRIBED THEIR DISCUSSIONS AS "FRUITFUL".

3. COMMENT: LIKE NYERERE, KAUNDA PRESUMABLY RECEIVED FRETILIN DELEGATION AS A COURTESY TO SAMORA MACHEL AND IN CONFORMITY WITH HIS POSITION OF WELCOMING "FREEDOM FIGHTERS" AGAINST COLONIALISM, IMPERIALISM, ETC. FRETILIN MISSION WAS ALLOWED TO AIR ITS VIEWS AND RECEIVED MODEST AND RATHER PRO FORMA ATTENTION FROM ZAMBIAN MEDIA. THUS FAR, GRZ AND TWO ZAMBIAN DAILIES HAVE GIVEN NO INKLING WHAT POSITION, IF ANY, ZAMBIA PREPARED TO TAKE ON VERY REMOTE AND LITTLE UNDERSTOOD STRUGGLE IN TIMOR. IN ABSENCE OF ANY COUNTER-VAILING APPROACHES FROM INDONESIA OR FROM RIVAL TIMOR POLITICAL MOVEMENTS, ZAMBIANS ARE LIKELY ACCEPT FRETILIN'S REVOLUTIONARY CREDENTIALS, ESPECIALLY IF THESE ARE VOUCHERED FOR BY MACHEL. WILKOWSKI

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